



Miniseries have been a staple of TV entertainment since “Poor Man Rich Man” first aired in 1976. This type of programming completes a story arc in a limited time, usually four to eight episodes. Miniseries are attractive because viewers do not have to wait for the next season to be released to wrap up a storyline. This week in worship, we are embarking on our own miniseries amid our larger series of the Bible Year. Over the next four weeks, we will concentrate on a deeper dive into the Book of Isaiah. Yes, please continue apace with the scheduled reading, which you can find [here](#). As you continue to read through the wisdom literature of Ecclesiastes and the Song of Solomon on your own, in worship, the focus will be on taking us through Isaiah.

Isaiah is a crucial book that helps us understand God’s judgment on Israel in general and Jerusalem in particular for ignoring God’s teaching in the books of Moses. Their worship had become a dead ritual, and they ignored God’s commands to seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, and plead for the widow [Isaiah 1:11-17](#). Furthermore, they sought to ensure their future by making a military alliance with Egypt, *“Oh rebellious children, says the Lord, who carry out a plan, but not mine; who make an alliance, but against my will, adding sin to sin; who set out to go down to Egypt without asking for my counsel, to take refuge in the protection of Pharaoh, and to seek shelter in the shadow of Egypt; therefore the protection of Pharaoh shall become your shame, and the shelter of Egypt your humiliation” (Isaiah 30:1-3 NRSV).*

God is not happy, to say the least, and there will be severe consequences for forgetting the Lord’s way. Yet, in the midst of this judgment, there is also grace and hope. God does not judge to exact retribution but to re-establish the God/creature relationship to its proper place. I hope this miniseries will allow us to see how vital understanding God’s nature, as presented in our previous reading of the Bible, is in making good decisions. Additionally, we will see a new hope emerge whereby God lays the groundwork for the eventual embodiment of God’s self in the person of Jesus Christ.

The schedule of selected texts is:

June 29 - [Isaiah 6:1-13](#)

July 6 - [Isaiah 9:2-9](#)

July 13 - [Isaiah 40](#)

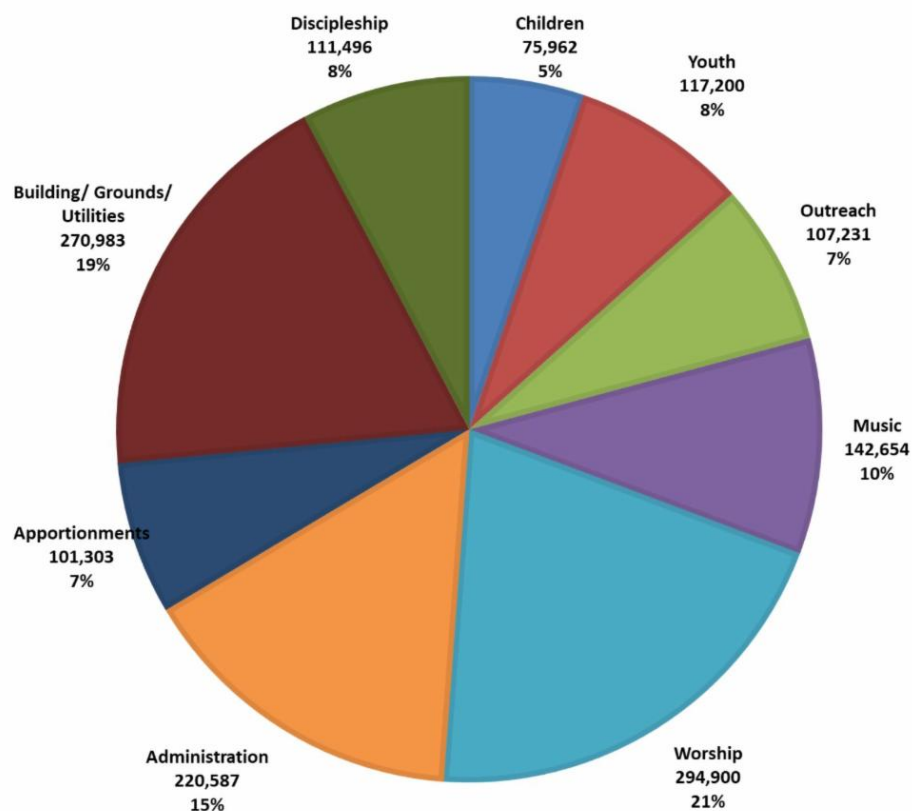
July 20 - [Isaiah 53](#)

Thank you to all who participated in our first Church Chat. The feedback in the form of questions and responses to our survey questions is constructive for church leadership. The Church Council reviewed the information this past Monday and is working with Pastor David and me to address areas for improvement. Some of the areas that we can quickly respond to are listing the weekly attendance in Sunday morning activities, and re-posting the pie chart detailing ministry spending (see below). I, along with your church leaders, am committed to listening and doing our best to help DUMC be all that God desires us to be.

Finally, with a heavy heart, we received Ben's notice that he and his family are leaving DUMC to answer their call to plant a church. Yet it is also a call for celebration for all God has gifted us with through Ben's ministry over the past five years. Ben's final Sunday will be August 31<sup>st</sup>, so please take the time to express your well wishes and blessings to him over the next eight weeks. We will have a formal celebration and blessing later in the summer. The Church Council has already begun the search for Ben's successor, so please pray for that work and for the person God is calling to be in ministry to our students and their families. Be in prayer for Ben and his family as they expand the Kingdom of God through this church plant.

Blessings,  
Steve

### 2025 Ministry Operations Budget



June 22, 2025 Worship Attendance	
9:00	95
11:00	102
Children	21
Total	197

Stay connected to our new sermon series [The Bible Year: A Journey Through Scripture in 365 Days](#) with these resources:

- To access daily readings from [The Bible Year](#), click [here](#).
- Watch "[The Bible Year Podcast](#)" with DUMC & HUMC
- If you wish to purchase the book or a study guide, click [here](#).



**Join us this Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary for our Combined Service.** This service is family-friendly, meaning our children will stay in worship with us and will be invited to participate in a special children's time/sermon specifically for the kids!

To hear this Sunday's music early, click the graphic below! Please plan to join us as our congregation joins together with one voice to glorify our One True God!

Next Sunday, we will be back at the Arbor every Sunday through August 24<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to join us as we come together to glorify our Lord surrounded by the beauty of His creation!







# GIVING REPORT

updated financial news

## GENEROSITY REPORT

**Total Received =  
\$522,731**

(\$21,780 average per Sunday)

2024 Comparison = \$502,278  
(\$20,928 Average per Sunday)

2025 Ministry Operations  
Budget = \$1,442,316



For questions about giving, please reach out to Cameron Wilson at [finance@denverumc.org](mailto:finance@denverumc.org).

We appreciate your generosity and support!

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# CALENDAR

we'll see you there!

*Click or touch the calendar to enlarge*

# Upcoming Events

6/29 10am | **Combined Family Worship Service** | [worship@denverumc.org](mailto:worship@denverumc.org)

6/29 6pm | **Youth Hang Out** | [youth@denverumc.org](mailto:youth@denverumc.org)

6/30 9am | **Sewing Ladies** | [wandareynolds@gmail.com](mailto:wandareynolds@gmail.com)

7/3 **Church Office Closed** | [denver@denverumc.org](mailto:denver@denverumc.org)



7/7 10:30am | **Helping Hands Meeting** | [helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com](mailto:helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com)

7/7 **VBS Registration Deadline** | [kids@denverumc.org](mailto:kids@denverumc.org)

7/12 9am | **Sisterhood Event** | [outreach@denverumc.org](mailto:outreach@denverumc.org)

7/13 (through July 17<sup>th</sup>) | **NTS Youth Camp** | [youth@denverumc.org](mailto:youth@denverumc.org)

7/14 (through July 17<sup>th</sup>) | **What a Mess! VBS Week** | [kids@denverumc.org](mailto:kids@denverumc.org)

7/18 **Room in the Inn** | [outreach@denverumc.org](mailto:outreach@denverumc.org)

7/18 **Missional Network Fun Friday** | [outreach@denverumc.org](mailto:outreach@denverumc.org)



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The Bible Year



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## LIFE AT DUMC

things to know, celebrate, & look forward to!



Thank you to everyone who took the time to attend last Sunday's Church Chat!

The feedback from the surveys is extremely exciting and affirms the things we all believe DUMC does well: DUMC serves the immediate mission field, showing the love of Jesus to many, our

Worship/Music/Message is consistent and best in class, and we have wonderful and well-maintained facilities.

There are several opportunities we have at DUMC to improve, and we are beginning to



act on these items; some are immediate changes, and some will take time. For example, we will begin offering the option for communion in individual cups AND the traditional chalice. Updates to our website relative to connecting, General Conference, and more are happening in the coming weeks.

The search for our next Youth Pastor is underway, and we hope to have this position filled in the near future. Ben's last day on staff will be August 31<sup>st</sup>, and our Harbor Youth ministry will continue as scheduled, supported by our amazing group of volunteers and current staff while we seek to fill this key role.

Other opportunities will take more time and require help from our congregation. For anyone passionate and feeling called to get involved with enhancing our younger life ministry (birth to young adult), the church could use your help. A task force group will soon be assembled of Church Council members and select folks from our church body to examine ways to bring young life into our church. If you have an interest in assisting with this recommendation and long-term planning, please email [council@denverumc.org](mailto:council@denverumc.org) to get involved.

Denver UMC is truly living into our mission of being a Harbor of Hope in a chaotic world where people come to know God, build meaningful relationships, and unleash compassion. Together, we will continue to share Christ's love according to this mission while being good stewards of the opportunities we have ahead.

In Him,  
DUMC Council



### Sisterhood Event - Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup>

It's time to sign up for our July Sisterhood event! Ladies of all ages are invited to join us in the CORC at 9:00 a.m. for worship, breakfast, and fellowship, and then break into groups to create unique sea glass art, get a sweet summer mani-pedi, or enjoy a class from a professional photographer on taking better pictures! Click here to register. Contact [carol.brown@denverumc.org](mailto:carol.brown@denverumc.org) to donate breakfast items. See you there!



*Click any of the buttons below for quick access to DUMC resources!*

What We Believe

Sanctuary Flowers

Helping Hands

Emails & Texts

Connection Groups

Worship Times

Prayer Request

Resources & Forms

Podcasts

YouTube

Women

Men



# OUTREACH

unleashing compassion



## Sewing Ladies are Back!

After a short break, the Sewing Ladies are back to work making pillowcase dresses and soon 100 Christmas stockings that will be filled and given to local students. Join them Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Admin Building conference room, WAB 105. Contact Wanda Reynolds at [wandareynolds@gmail.com](mailto:wandareynolds@gmail.com), for details.



## Fabulous Fridays Kids' Camp Volunteer Opportunities - July 18 and Aug 1

Once again, we're partnering with other churches to host this VBS-style event at Hill's Chapel UMC that serves many children with few opportunities for fun, Christian fellowship during the summer months. Come and enjoy "Water Day" as we host with Rock Hill UMC

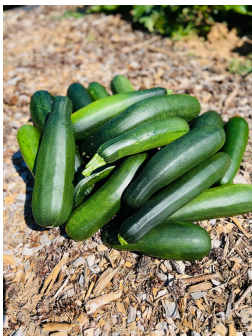
on July 18<sup>th</sup> and help assist children and provide lunch as we host with Salem UMC on August 1<sup>st</sup>. The camp runs from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Contact [carol.brown@denverumc.org](mailto:carol.brown@denverumc.org) for details.



## Hurricane Relief Opportunities

We have two opportunities coming up to serve neighbors still suffering from the effects of Hurricane Helene. The first is in Black Mountain Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The second is a five-day mission trip to the Asheville area September 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>. We will be working with Matthews UMC in these efforts. Details will follow. Contact Dale Webster, [webstede@gmail.com](mailto:webstede@gmail.com) for more information.



## Community Garden Opportunities!

It's NOW time to dig potatoes, plant sweet potato slips, and harvest cucumbers, more zucchini, and fresh berries! Volunteers are welcome on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings beginning at 8:00 a.m. Contact Matt Edwards, [mredwards4410@gmail.com](mailto:mredwards4410@gmail.com), for weekly garden updates and harvesting needs. New and experienced gardeners of all ages are welcome! See you in the Garden!



## Lincoln County Room in the Inn -

### Morning of July 19<sup>th</sup>, Evening/Overnight August 29<sup>th</sup>

Help provide shelter from the heat this summer for our unhoused neighbors through our new RITI Summer Ministry. If you'd like to help prepare food, monitor showers, serve as overnight Innkeepers, or otherwise support the ministry on one or both of these dates, please contact [carol.brown@denverumc.org](mailto:carol.brown@denverumc.org).



# Helping Hands

building community through service

## Helping Hands Local Outreach Opportunities

Click [here](#) to check out the June HandUp Newsletter to learn of opportunities available to help struggling neighbors become self-sufficient, to love and support local children, and to find other ways to make a difference in the lives of our neighbors! Contact [helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com](mailto:helpinghandsdenvernc@gmail.com) with questions.



### Sisterhood Getaway - September 12-14!

We are excited to offer our second Sisterhood Getaway at Lutherock Camp and Conference Center!

The weekend will be filled with amazing food, shopping, crafting, hiking, yoga, games, and fellowship, along with a dive into how to reflect on God's Word and listen to His calling to you personally! The investment is only \$160! Reserve your spot by July 19<sup>th</sup> at a reduced rate of \$130. If you signed up to go last fall when the event was cancelled due to hurricane damage, let us know if you plan to keep your spot! Click [here](#) for more information and to sign up!



### Love Denver Children's Clothing Donations Due June 30<sup>th</sup>

Donations of gently used clothing for this summer's Love Denver event may be dropped off at the church office during business hours until Monday June 30<sup>th</sup>. Contact Diann Farris, [dfarris8049@gmail.com](mailto:dfarris8049@gmail.com), for details.



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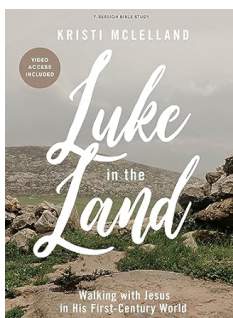
Small Groups, Bible Studies, & Connection Groups

### Discipleship Opportunities

**Sunday Small Group/Sunday School** hour is 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Click [HERE](#) for specific **Sunday school classes, weekday Bible studies, Wednesday night, and small group offerings with locations and descriptions.**

Email David at [discipleship@denverumc.org](mailto:discipleship@denverumc.org) with any questions!



### New Women's Bible Study

A new Ladies Bible Study began on June 11. We are doing a video-driven study by Kristi McLelland called [Luke in the Land](#). We meet on Wednesdays in the Chapel from 10-12. If you would like Sara to order a book for you, please text her at 704-230-9004. [Childcare](#) is available upon request.

### Open Circle

Open Circle is a place for anyone new to Denver UMC who is eager





to meet new people and learn more about Denver UMC and its many ministries and opportunities. Led by Pastor Steve and others, we meet every Sunday morning from 10:10 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. in the CORC with coffee and snacks in a casual atmosphere. We'd love to meet you! Contact Belinda Worsham at [belindaworsham@yahoo.com](mailto:belindaworsham@yahoo.com) for more information!



### Men's Alliance - Sunday Nights!

Sunday nights | 6:00 p.m. | Rain or Shine  
Join us for a rugged workout and real devotion.

Click [here](#) for the video.

For more information, contact Justin Hobbs at [jhobbs4007@gmail.com](mailto:jhobbs4007@gmail.com)



### Women's Alliance - Wednesday Nights!

Join in a weekly, rain or shine, 30-minute outdoor workout followed by a 30-minute real-world

devotion around the fire on DUMC's campus. This is open to all fitness levels of ages 13 and older. No equipment necessary. Bring a bottle of water and a towel. No sign up necessary!

Contact Cindy Hoyt at [choyt71@gmail.com](mailto:choyt71@gmail.com) for more information!

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## HARBOR YOUTH

DUMC's 6-12th grade ministry



NEVER THE SAME

NTS CAMP



### NTS Camp

Registration is now open for the NTS Camp in South Carolina, July 13-17. The price is now \$415 if you **register by July 12**. NTS Camp focuses on growing closer to God in an action-packed, fully immersive experience that our students will never forget. Click [here](#) to register. For more information, contact Ben Nobles at [youth@denverumc.org](mailto:youth@denverumc.org).



Harbor Youth

# HANGOUT

@ NOBLES' HOUSE  
(6218 NEPTUNE DR DENVER)

Feel free to make camp swag to rep Red Team  
or make something for Independence Day in community

THIS SUNDAY EVENING

June 29 2025

5pm-7pm

NTS PREP &  
PICKLEBALL PARTY!!



## HY Connected

Time for fun and connecting while we read scripture together Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Room. *(to the right of the FLC stage)*

2025 HARBOR YOUTH SUMMER EVENTS	MAY	04	COOKOUT	5PM
		10	SENIOR DINNER	6PM
		18	GRAD SUNDAY	11AM
		25	HESED MEAL	6PM
	JUNE	08	WORSHIP NIGHT	6PM
		29	HY HANGOUT	6PM
	JULY	13-17	NTS CAMP	
		20	HY HANGOUT	5PM
		27	HY HIKING TRIP	12PM
	AUG	1-6	DUMC MISSION TRIP	
		15-17	YTH LDR RETREAT	
		24	YTH PARENT NIGHT	5PM
	SEPT	07	HY KICKOFF	5PM
		21	SYATP RALLY	5PM
		24	SYATP	7AM

IF YOU'D LIKE TO HOST A HARBOR YOUTH  
HANGOUT OVER SUMMER CONTACT:  
BEN.NOBLES@DENVERUMC.ORG

For all information visit  
[DenverUMC.org/Harbor-Youth](https://denverumc.org/Harbor-Youth)

Go to our [website](#) for the 2024/2025 calendar and details on all upcoming events! And follow us on Facebook and Instagram!  
Contact Ben at [youth@denverumc.org](mailto:youth@denverumc.org) if you have any questions!

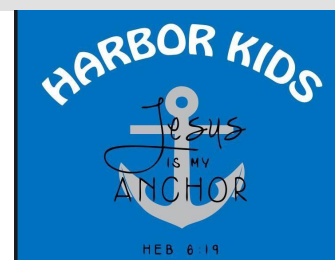


# HARBOR KIDS

DUMC's birth - 5th grade ministry



Scan the QR to stay-up-to-date  
with all the latest happenings in  
Harbor Kids!







## What a Mess VBS, July 14-17

Join us for What a Mess VBS where we will learn to embrace the messiness of life, the need for forgiveness, and the beauty of God's grace! Click [here](#) to sign up and for more information.

**The deadline to register is Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup>!**



We are committed to helping your child grow in every aspect of their relationship with Jesus Christ and knowledge of His Word. Thank you for your support and prayer!

Our Harbor Kids Nursery is available every Sunday morning beginning at 8:45 a.m. and remains open until 12:00 p.m. Our church nursery is staffed by volunteers who serve on a rotational basis and who are Safe Sanctuary trained as well as background check approved.

We offer age-appropriate Sunday School classes for Preschool, K-3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> at both our 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services. You can also follow us on our Facebook Page: [Harbor Kids of Denver UMC](#)

Email Jennifer at [kids@denverumc.org](mailto:kids@denverumc.org) or visit our [website](#) for more information!

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## Staff Connections

Click [here](#) to connect with our staff.



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